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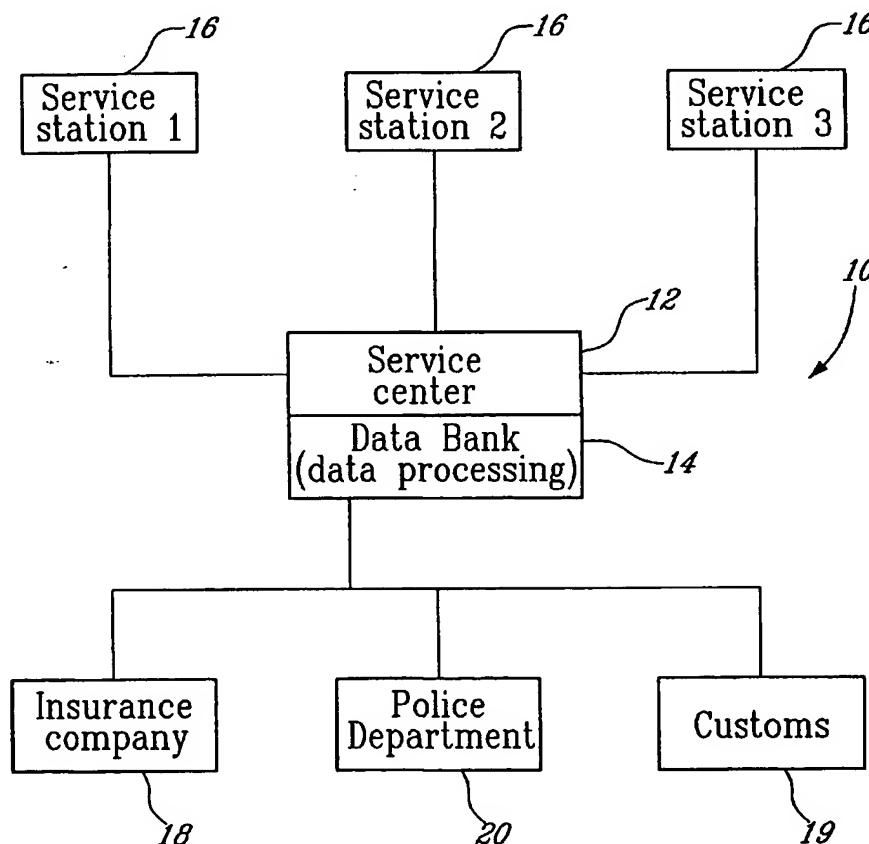
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(54) Title: METHOD OF PREVENTING THEFT OF VEHICLES USING INTENSIVE MARKING



(57) Abstract: A method for preventing theft of a vehicle using intensive marking comprises, establishing a service network (10) including a service center (12) having a databank (14) for data processing and storage, and a number of service stations (16) providing anti theft service to clients. At the service stations, an agent provides a particular intensive marking (42) alphanumeric code to the vehicle which identifies the region of origin of the vehicle owner and includes a sequential number corresponding to the particular vehicle identification number. The intensive marking alphanumeric code is permanently marked (62) on about 50 of the most saleable parts of the vehicle in order to reduce the black-market value thereof. The vehicle is also provided with visible logo (21) identifying the vehicle anti theft service rendered to this vehicle, thereby deterring theft.